

# JOHN ROSS

WASHINGTON

Height: 5'11"      Weight: 188      Arms: 31.5

Combine:

40 yd Dash: 4.22      3 Cone: DNP      20 yd Shuttle: DNP      Vert: 37"

<u>Pros:</u>	<u>Cons:</u>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Unmatched speed, vertical deep threat</li> <li>- Good route runner, hard cuts at high speed</li> <li>- Head fakes and shake to create space on slants</li> <li>- Great agility to create after the catch</li> <li>- Hard cuts, can stop suddenly</li> <li>- Very good hands</li> <li>- Does a good job of sharp cuts at top of route</li> <li>- Speed opens up underneath routes</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Small by NFL standards</li> <li>- Doesn't high point the ball, not a jump ball guy</li> <li>- Routes very good but sometimes lazy</li> <li>- Allows himself to be redirected</li> <li>- Lacks strength, finesse player</li> <li>- Not pressed a lot in college</li> <li>- Small hands, under 9"</li> </ul>

**Summary:** \*MEDICAL ALERT: Ross currently has a torn labrum and will have surgery after the combine.

John Ross III is one of the most explosive players in college football and left Washington a year early to enter the NFL Draft. Ross was a huge part of the Huskies success in becoming one of the top four teams in college football this past year. He finished the season with 17 touchdowns, over 1,100 yards and 81 receptions. Ross is an explosive player who made his name his freshman year with seven touchdowns, with only one coming under 55 yards. He's a return specialist as well and played corner in his career at Washington. His 2015 season was cut short in spring practice after he re-injured his knee after surgery on two meniscus. Ross finally showed his skills as a receiver this year earning All-Pac 12 first team honors, 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> team All-American honors as well. The first word on Ross is speed. He's a deep threat with great deep speed and smooth acceleration. Ross does a great job cutting at high speed, creating stress on corners trying to cover him downfield. He has good hands and rarely drops a ball. He shows patience in setting defensive back up on multiple stutter moves underneath and uses head fakes and great cuts to create separation. His threat down the field also open up opportunities underneath and he generally is given comebacks and slants without a press. Unlike most speed players, Ross does show maturity in his route running and attention to detail, which add immense value. That being said he sometimes gets lazy and rounds routes, which is simply a lack of focus. Ross' limitations are clear as well. He's undersized at 5'11 and is redirected on routs by corners who are brave enough to press him. He has some moves to get off the line, but hasn't been pressed as much in college. He will have to get stronger, or work on his moves at the line to get open. Ross also does not high point the ball and is passive in his catching style. While he does have some limitations as a player, Ross does more things well than he does poorly. His deep speed, route running and acceleration warrant a look in the first round. He's a rare player who doesn't have the size but could be a no. 1 player in the NFL because he's so fast. Instant impact on offense but has huge medical issues. Clear first round talent.